

## Unit 5 - Ethical and Legal Issues

### Terminology

1. **Abuse** - the willful infliction of injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation or punishment with resulting physical harm, pain or mental anguish.
2. **Advocate** - one that pleads the cause of another.
3. **Aiding and Abetting** - not reporting dishonest acts that are observed.
4. **Assault** - attempt or threat to do violence to another.
5. **Battery** - an unlawful attack upon another person.
6. **Confidential** - keeping what is said or written private, or to oneself.
7. **Defamation** - injuring the name and reputation of another person by making false statements to a third person.
8. **Dignity** - the quality or state of being worthy, honored, or esteemed.
9. **Discrimination** - prejudiced or prejudicial outlook, action or treatment.
10. **Drug** - any chemical compound that may be used on or administered to humans or animals as an aid in the diagnosis, treatment or prevention of disease or other condition or for the relief of pain or suffering or to control or improve any physiological pathologic condition.
11. **Drug Diversion** - the unauthorized taking or use of any drug.
12. **Ethics** - a set of moral principles and values.
13. **False Imprisonment** - the unlawful restraint or restriction of another person's movements.
14. **Fraud** - an intentional deception or misrepresentation made by a person with the knowledge that the deception could result in some unauthorized benefit to himself or some other person. It includes any act that constitutes fraud under applicable Federal or State Law.
15. **Gossip** - talking about residents or co-workers.
16. **Grievance** - a cause of distress felt to afford reason for complaint or resistance.
17. **Harassment** - to worry or annoy persistently.
18. **HIPPA** - Health Information Privacy and Portability Act.
19. **Infringement** - an encroachment or trespass on a right or privilege.
20. **Invasion of Privacy** - a violation of a person's right not to have one's name, photograph, or private affairs exposed or made public without giving consent.

## Terminology (Continued)

- 21. **Liable** - responsible for your actions.
- 22. **Libel** - defamation through written statements.
- 23. **Malpractice** - negligence by a professional person.
- 24. **Misappropriation** - the deliberate misplacement, exploitation, or wrongful, temporary or permanent use of a resident's belongings or money without the resident's consent.
- 25. **Neglect** - a failure to provide goods and services necessary to avoid physical harm, mental anguish or mental illness.
- 26. **Negligence** - an unintentional wrong in which a person fails to act in a reasonable and prudent manner and thereby causes harm to another person or the person's property.
- 27. **Ombudsman** - resident advocate.
- 28. **Slander** - defamation through oral statements.
- 29. **Tort** - a wrong committed against another person or the person's property.